இனத்தவர்களுக்கும் பொதுவாகவும் நீதியாகவும் நடந்து, மற்றெல்லா துறைகளிலும் இந்த சபைக்கு உபதலைவராக இருந்துகொண்டு செய்ய வேண்டிய காரியத்தை நன்கு நிறைவேற்றுவார் என்றும் நாங்கள் நினைக்கின்றோம். ஆகவே, இந்தச் சந்தர்ப்பத்தை எனக்கு அளித்ததற்காக தலைவர் அவர்களுக்கு என்னுடைய நன்றியைத் தெரிவித்துக்கொண்டு என்னுடைய வார்த்தைகளை முடித்துக்கொள்ளுகின்றேன்."

* MR. CHAIRMAN :—" Hon. Members, I am most grateful to you for the great honour that you have done me by electing me as the Chairman of this august Council which means that you have a very great regard for one who has been brought up in a different line altogether. I served this Government for nearly 31 years and then, as Janab Mahomed Usman said, got into public life. I joined the Corporation of Madras on his advice and I also stood for election to the Legislative Council following his advice and I was most gratified to hear the nice words he said about me in his speech to-day. Hon. Members know it is very difficult to carry on the work of a House like this unless one has got the co-operation of all the Members. Looking around me, I see very many familiar faces—very many friendly faces—some that I have seen in the last Council and some who have been newly elected to this House. The great leadership of our Chief Minister means such a great lot to our State and to the Council; I see very many experienced legislators and administrators. I see before me a very experienced politician in Dr. R. K. Shanmukham Chetti, whose acquaintance and friendship I can count for the last forty years. There are very many other people here who are my personal friends and who gave me encouragement to stand for election. You have given me this great honour, you have bestowed this great honour upon me and you have offered me your co-operation and there is nothing more I can expect from you. One thing I shall promise and that is that I shall be as impartial as possible and I shall be guided by the rules and regulations laid down for the conduct of business of the House and I shall take the advice of all the members of the House. I once again most sincerely thank you for the great honour that you have done me."

* JANAB A. M. ALLAPICHAI :—" Mr. Chairman, I am extremely thankful to hon. Members for the honour that they have done me, and it is not possible for me to speak at length but this much I can tell you, Sir, I am highly grateful to everyone of the hon. Members here for having shown so much of kindness and affection for me, and I assure them that whenever I am called upon to discharge my duties, I will do it without fear or favour. Whether I belong to this party or that, justice shall be done."

I.—ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* PROMULGATION OF AN ORDER UNDER SECTION 144, CR. P. C., IN THE CITY OF MADRAS—*cont.*

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" With regard to the motion given notice of by Sri Adityan as soon as I took this seat, I told him that I had no time to go into the question raised by him. I shall give

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my decision when we meet on the 8th. I shall examine the question and give a ruling then and meanwhile the House will adjourn and meet again at 11 a.m. on the 8th instant."

* SRI S. B. ADITYAN :—" Mr. Chairman, Sir, on a point of order. This is a motion for the adjournment of the business of the House. It is a matter of urgent, public importance and unless it is an urgent matter of public importance, I have no right to ask the House to consider the motion and if it is postponed for two days, the urgency will be lost. I wish to submit to you, Sir, that there are only three grounds on which leave to make an adjournment motion could be refused. It may be refused on the ground that it does not raise a definite matter, or that it does not refer to a matter of public importance or that it is not an urgent matter. There is no fourth ground upon which it can be refused and none of our rules says that if the Chairman has had no time to consider it, it could be adjourned for two days. It is unknown in the history of any democratic legislature when police men have been posted outside the Government Estate, thousands of them with steel helmets and rifles. It is my inherent right as a Member of this House to move a motion to discuss the matter and my Membership of this House is worth nothing if I have not got the right to protest by way of a motion such as the one I seek to move against the undemocratic, anti-people measures which are going on now."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" I have already stated that I shall give my ruling at 11 a.m. on the 8th.

' The House will now adjourn till 11 a.m. on the 8th May 1952."

The House then adjourned to meet again at 11 a.m. on Thursday, the 8th May 1952.

TRUTH ALONE TRIUMPHS